assistance on matching basis under the 'Scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces'. The scheme provides assistance, interalia, for procuring equipment for communication, training, forensic science laboratories and investigation etc. An amount of Rs. 30 crores was allocated during each of the years 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95.

(b) The information is given in the Annexure [*See* Appendix 173, Annexure No. 129]

(c) Among the major reasons for some States not being able to utilize the Central allocation available is lack of resources for providing the matching amounts, late release of the matching amounts by State Governments to the police forces and perceived inadequacy of the financial assistance by the Centre.

Foreigners without Visa

6226. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many foreigners came to India without obtaining Visas in their respective countries and obtained visa at the Airports for 72 hours, during 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95;

(b) the countries to which such foreigners belonged to and their number, country-wise; and

(c) whether all of them have returned after 72 hours?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Landing permit facility for 72 hours is granted to a foreign national transiting through India without visa provided he has confirmed onward journey ticket, 3107 such permits were granted during 1992, 3020 in 1993, 6555 in 1994 and 1334 in 1995 (upto March) at the 4 major International Airports i.e. Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras.

(b) Country-wise break of foreigners who were granted Temporary Landing permits at the 4 major International Airports has been given in the annexure. [*See* Appendix 173, Annexure No. 130] Data in respect of Delhi is available from 93 onwards.

(c) Extension of stay on such Landing permits is granted only in very exceptional cases. As such, all foreigners have to go back within the stipulated period.

Cases filed by freedom fighters in the Courts

6227. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of cases have been filed by the freedom fighters in courts;

(b) if so, what are the grounds, in general, on which these cases have been filed;

(c) whether this is indicative of a lack of clear cut policy and norms for grant of pension; and

(d) if so, what action Government propose to take to make the scheme transparent so as to avoid litigation on this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (d) Some applicants whose claims for grant of freedom fighters pension are rejected because of their non-fulfilling the eligibility conditions, file writ petitions in various courts seeking directions of the courts for grant of pension. The general grounds on which such writ petitions have been filed inter-alia include rejection of their claims even after the State Government's recommending their cases, lack of proper examination of evidence submitted by them, denial of arrears etc. The policy and norms for grant of pension are clearly laid down in the Scheme and the guidelines issued from time to time. Decisions regarding admissibility or otherwise of pension in each case are taken keeping in view the

provisions of the Scheme and the guidelines issued thereunder. The Scheme has already been liberalised to a great extent and there is no proposal at present to make further liberalisation.

महरौली में पुरातत्व विभाग की जमीन का खाली कराया जाना

6228. श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:
श्री अनन्त राम जायसवाल:

क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या पुरातत्व विभाग ने गत वर्ष ऐतिहासिक स्मारक कुतुबमीनार क्षेत्र के अंतर्गत सरकारी जमीन के एक बहुत बड़े हिस्से पर भू-माफियाओं द्वारा जबरदस्ती कब्जा कर चहारदीवारी बनाने के संबंध में महरौली थाने में प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट दर्ज करायी थी;

(ख) यदि हां, तो प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट कब और किस महीने में दर्ज करायी गयी थी और क्या सरकार ने प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट दर्ज कराने के समय से लेकर अब तक पुरातत्व विभाग की जमीन को खाली कराने के लिए कोई कार्यवाही की थी;

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) सरकार पुरातत्व विभाग की जमीन को खाली कराने तथा पुलिस प्रशासन द्वारा इस संबंध में कोई कार्रवाई न किये जाने के लिए क्या त्वरित अथवा प्रभावी कार्रवाई करने पर विचार कर रही है/अथवा विचार करना चाहेगी?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी०एम०सईद): (क) से (घ) भारत के पुरातत्व विभाग से यह सूचना प्राप्त होने पर कि कुछ लोग कुतुब पुरातत्व क्षेत्र के नजदीक भूमि के एक सरकारी टुकड़े के ईर्द-गिर्द चार-दिवारी का निर्माण कर रहे हैं, थाना महरौली में प्राचीन स्मारक और पुरातत्व स्थान और अवशेष अधिनियम 1958 की धारा 30, 19(1) और भा०दं०सं० की धारा 447 के अंतर्गत 20.9.94 को एक प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट सं० 288/94 दर्ज की गयी। एक व्यक्ति को गिरफ्तार किया गया। उपर्युक्त न्यायालय में मुकदमा चलाने के लिए इस मामले को अभियोजन शाखा के हवाले कर दिया गया है। भू-खंड पर किए गए अवैध अतिक्रमण को पुलिस द्वारा 6.4.95 को हटा दिया गया। दिल्ली पुलिस अधिनियम की धारा 100 के अंतर्गत आठ व्यक्तियों को गिरफ्तार किया गया था। उन्हें मैट्रोपोलिटन मजिस्ट्रेट द्वारा चेतवानी दी गयी।

Pension to Freedom Fighters

6229. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many applications in Punjab are pending for sanction of freedom fighter's pension;

(b) whether Government would issue orders for early disposal of the aforesaid applications; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) All the applications received within the prescribed time limit, i.e. 31st March, 1982 from Punjab have been considered and decision communicated to the applicants at least once. however, many review petitions and some delayed cases continue to be received. These are being considered and disposed on merits. This is an on-going process.

Video Film of the Department of Official Language

6230. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO:
DR. SHRIKANT RAM-CHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether the Video Film "Nai subhaha ki ore" has been produced by the Department of Official Language through the DAVP;

(b) if so, to what use is the Video cassette being put to;

(c) whether one Video cassettee each would be given to Members of Parliament;

(d) whether the cassette is for sale and if so, what is its price; and